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**SEC. GARRISON
WARMLY DENIES
TAFI'S CHARGES**

War Department Head Re-
sents Criticism of Philip-
pine Administration

Secretary of War Garrison denies
categorically the wholesale disorgani-
zation of the Philippine service
charged by ex-President Taft and
others.

In a recent statement Mr. Garrison
took up this matter in detail. He
said:

Mr. Taft named 10 officials who he
stated were discharged as soon as
Gov.-Gen. Harrison reached the is-
lands and the intimation was that the
berths were needed for Democrats.
Mr. Taft's statement said:

"He (Gov.-Gen. Harrison) dis-
charged at once upon his arrival
McCoy, collector of customs;
Sleeper, director of public lands;
Wilson, assistant director of pub-
lic lands; Leach, director of
printing; Parsons, consulting ar-
chitect; Welch, assistant execu-
tive secretary; Hogsette, assis-
tant director of printing; Helm,
director of the bureau of naviga-
tion; Harding, chief of Manila
police; Scott, captain of police."

"So far from this being a correct
statement," Mr. Garrison says, "the
fact is that Gov.-Gen. Harrison
neither at once nor at any other time
discharged Wilson, Parsons or Helm.
He did discharge, within five days
after his arrival, McCoy, because he
was acting, while the head of the cus-
toms service, as the National Repub-
lican committeeman from the Philip-
pine islands.

"He similarly discharged Sleeper,
whose conduct of the Bureau of Pub-
lic Lands had been the subject of in-
vestigation by a committee of the
House of Representatives while Mr.
Harrison was a member of that body
and whose administration of that bu-
reau, as thus disclosed, did not meet
with Mr. Harrison's approval.

"He did similarly discharge Welch,
assistant executive secretary, who
was involved in an investigation, in-
itiated and completed under Gov.-Gen.
Forbes of the Manila police depart-
ment, and whose conduct as thus dis-
closed warranted, in Gov.-Gen. Har-
rison's opinion, his dismissal."

Mr. Garrison proceeds in detail to
show the circumstances concerning
the other men named by the former
president. Summarized, the circum-
stances may be stated as follows:

Wilson resigned of his own volition.
Leach, director of printing, re-
signed by request after he had sent
cablegrams to the "President of the
United States based upon false as-
sumptions." Hogsette, his assistant,
resigned with him because he had a
hand in the business. The bureau
over which Helm presided was abol-
ished for economic's sake by the leg-
islature.

Harding, chief of police, and Scott,
a captain, resigned by request as a
result of the investigation of the po-
lice department. The offices held by
Enright, Randall and Williams were
abolished by the legislature for the
purpose of economizing.

Frank Carpenter was not dis-
charged but promoted to govern-
ment of the Moro province, "which ad-
mittedly is one of the positions of
greatest importance in the Philip-
pine administration."

"Mr. Taft charged that 476
Americans were separated from this
service between October,
1913, and July 14, 1915. The in-
ference was that this was un-
usual."

By reference to the records of the
War Department, Secretary Garrison
shows that this meant nothing, be-
cause it was approximately the aver-
age number of changes made during
the years of American control.

"Mr. Taft charged that an
American was removed as head of
the bureau of lands to make way
for a Filipino insurrecto general
named Tio, who had no experi-
ence of any kind."

Mr. Garrison shows that Tio was
appointed to the service six years be-
fore the present administration took
charge. "Two years thereafter he
was given charge of a bureau of ex-
actly similar rank to the bureau of
lands by Gov.-Gen. Forbes, acting un-
der a Republican administration," Mr.
Garrison says.

"Mr. Taft charged that the
Philippine hospital was misman-
aged by the present adminis-
tration."

Secretary Garrison shows that it is
in better condition now than under
the previous administration.

"Mr. Taft alleged that the in-
ternal revenue service and the
judiciary had been disorganized
by the present administration."

Secretary Garrison quotes from Re-
publican reports to show that they
needed the very kind of reorganiza-
tion which they are now undergoing.

Mr. Taft's general criticism of the
present policy is disputed at length
by Secretary Garrison, who shows
that it has been the purpose of the
present administration merely to fit
the Filipinos for self-government and
to give them every opportunity of
paying the road for their eventual in-
dependence. By quoting from state-
ments made by Mr. Taft during the
past, Secretary Garrison shows that
the former president once was in
thorough accord with the very policy
which he is now condemning.

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By Preservation League for
City of San Francisco

Hawaii's beautiful building which
was admired by so many people at
the exposition this summer, has been
taken over by the Preservation
League for the city and county of
San Francisco. This is the news in
a letter from H. P. Wood, resident
commissioner at the recent exposition,
received yesterday by Secretary of
the Territory Wade Warren Thayer.
The letter follows in part:

"I am at last able to state that the
Hawaii building has been taken over
by the Preservation League for the
City and County of San Francisco."

"Mr. Fisher and I have both worked
very hard upon this for some time,
and feel gratified to have won out,
as we are now assured that the Ha-
waii building will be preserved as an
advertisement for the islands and that
the future aquarium of San Francisco
will owe its inception to Hawaii's
initiative in giving the city this beau-
tiful building."

"I have arranged also to leave in
the building, temporarily and subject
to the order of the territory, the
statue of the surt riders and three
kiosks. We will also sell them some
of our furniture, in fact, I hope before
the end of the week, to make a final
clearance of everything we have to
dispose of."

"Both Mr. Fisher and I will be in
San Francisco long enough to receive
an answer to this letter and I would
suggest that you make out a lease
to The Preservation League of San
Francisco for the city and county of
San Francisco, sending either Mr.
Fisher or me, or both of us, authority
to sign the lease which probably
should carry a clause reserving the
lunettes."

"With assurance of greatest es-
teem, believe me,
"Very truly yours,

"H. P. WOOD,
"Resident Commissioner."

**ENCOURAGING REPORT
FROM MOUNTAIN KING**

That the net receipts of Mountain
King amounted to \$9884 during No-
vember is the summary of an encour-
aging report which reached Honolulu
in the last mail from the coast. The
report anticipates that the clean-up
for December will be about the same.
During November there were 20
stamps running and 2800 tons of ore
were crushed. The gross receipts
amounted to \$19,824, or \$7.08 a ton.
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